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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the application of:

Patrick Remery, Aymeric De Solages  
and Bernard Darbour

For: PROCESS FOR MANAGING AN ELECTRONIC  
TRANSACTION BY CHIP CARD, TERMINAL AND CHIP  
CARD IMPLEMENTING THIS PROCESS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of  
Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to the examination of the above-identified application, Applicant requests entry of the following amendment:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please add the following paragraph before the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 31:

--EP 829 830 already discloses electronic purses in which a card bearer authentication procedure is implemented when the amount of the transaction or the aggregated amount of the transactions carried out are greater than given thresholds.--

REMARKS

Entry of the foregoing amendments is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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